

**Amendments to the Claims**

1. *(Currently Amended)*                    A coffee maker ~~(1)~~ having a brewing chamber ~~(16)~~ and a filter support ~~(23,23a,23b,23e)~~ for supporting a filter ~~(21)~~ in the brewing chamber ~~(16)~~ at a defined position, the filter support ~~(23,23a,23b,23e)~~ comprising: a discharge opening ~~(31,31a,31b,31e)~~ for discharging brewed coffee from the brewing chamber ~~(16)~~; and a sieve ~~(34,34a,34b,34e)~~ between the defined position and the discharge opening ~~(31,31a,31b,31e)~~, the sieve ~~(34,34a,34b,34e)~~ having apertures ~~(36,36a,36b,36e)~~ that allow brewed coffee to pass, but that are the same width or narrower than the discharge opening ~~(31,31a,31b,31e)~~.
2. *(Currently Amended)*                    The coffee maker ~~(1)~~ of claim 1, wherein the apertures ~~(36,36a,36b,36e)~~ are around 0.5mm wide.
3. *(Currently Amended)*                    The coffee maker ~~(1)~~ of ~~claim 1 or claim 2~~claim 1, wherein the filter support ~~(23,23a,23b,23e)~~ further comprises a surface ~~(32,32a,32b,32e)~~ for directing brewed coffee to the discharge opening ~~(31,31a,31b,31e)~~.
4. *(Currently Amended)*                    The coffee maker ~~(1)~~ of claim 3, wherein the filter support ~~(23,23a,23b,23e)~~ comprises one or more projections ~~(33,33a,33b,33e)~~ for spacing the filter 21 away from the surface ~~(32,32a,32b,32e)~~.
5. *(Currently Amended)*                    The coffee maker ~~(1)~~ of ~~claim 3 or claim 4~~claim 3, wherein the sieve ~~(34b,34e)~~ extends over the surface ~~(32b,32e)~~.
6. *(Currently Amended)*                    The coffee maker ~~(1)~~ of claim 5, wherein the sieve ~~(34e)~~ is supported by the projections ~~(33e)~~ in use.
7. *(Currently Amended)*                    The coffee maker ~~(1)~~ of ~~claim 3 or claim 4~~claim 3, wherein the sieve ~~(34,34a)~~ comprises an upstand ~~(35,35a)~~ on the surface ~~(32,32a)~~ and extends around the discharge opening ~~(31,31a)~~.

8. *(Currently Amended)* The coffee maker (1) of ~~anyone of claims 1 to 4 and~~  
7claim 1, wherein the sieve (34,34a) is open at the defined position of the filter (21).

9. *(Currently Amended)* The coffee maker (1) of ~~anyone of claims 3, 4, 8 or~~  
9claim 1, wherein the sieve (34,34a) comprises a plurality of upstands (35,35a) on the  
surface (32,32a), which upstands (35,35a) are spaced apart so that the spaces between  
the upstands (35,35a) provide the apertures (36,36a).

10. *(Currently Amended)* The coffee maker (1) of ~~anyone of claims 1 to 6~~claim  
1, wherein the sieve (34b, 34e) extends across the discharge opening (31b,31e).

11. *(Currently Amended)* The coffee maker (1) of ~~anyone of claims 1 to 8 and~~  
10claim 1, wherein the sieve (34,34a,34b,34e) is a mesh.

12. *(Currently Amended)* The coffee maker (1) of ~~anyone of the preceding~~  
~~claims~~claim 1 arranged as a pad-type coffee maker.

13. *(Currently Amended)* The coffee maker (1) of ~~anyone of the preceding~~  
~~claims~~claim 1, wherein the discharge opening (31,31a,31b,31e) is between 0.75 mm  
and 0.9 mm wide.

14. *(Currently Amended)* The coffee maker (1) of ~~anyone of the preceding~~  
~~claims~~claim 1, further comprising a filter (21) supported in the brewing chamber (16)  
by the filter support (23,23a,23b,23e).

15. *(Currently Amended)* A filter support (23,23a,23b,23e) for supporting a  
filter (21) in a brewing chamber (16) of a coffee maker (1) at a defined position, the  
filter support (23,23a,23b,23e) comprising:

a discharge opening (31,31a,31b,31e) for discharging brewed coffee  
from the brewing chamber (16); and  
a sieve (34,34a,34b,34e) between the defined position and the discharge opening  
(31,31a,31b,31e), the sieve (34,34a,34b,34e) having apertures (36,36a,36b,36e) that

allow brewed coffee to pass, but that are the same width or narrower than the discharge opening ~~(31,31a,31b,31e)~~.

16. *(Currently Amended)* The filter support ~~(23,23a,23b,23e)~~ of claim 15, comprising a single injection moulded piece.

17. *(Currently Amended)* A method of manufacturing a filter support ~~(23,23a,23b,23e)~~ according to ~~claim 15 or claim 16~~ claim 15, the method comprising injection moulding the filter support ~~(23,23a,23b,23e)~~ as a single piece.